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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Dear Fellow Members — Difficult as it may seem to believe but our 1988 convention is just a bit more than one month away If you have not already made your plans to attend, now is the time to do so Not only will this convention be well attended by quality dealers but there will be many activities scheduled — something to interest just about everyone. There will be tours, educational programs, and a two-session auction Of course there will be outstanding exhibits. According to the exhibits chairwoman, Nela Runkle, there is still room for more exhibits Even if you have never exhibited before you can do yourself a favor by doing so. What do I mean by that? Exhibiting can be a very personally rewarding endeavor and you will be astounded at the knowledge you will gain by researching a particular facet of numismatics. Give it a try

I am pleased to announce that District 2 now has a new governor — Charles Green of Midland His appointment was confirmed at the November 1987 TNA board meeting If any member or club needs assistance in that district don't hesitate to call on Charles His address is #19 Village Circle Midland 79701 Welcome aboard Charles!

If you have been thinking about applying for a TNA Life Membership this is a good time to pay your $150 00 Life memberships must be voted on and approved by the TNA governing board which meets semi-annually. At our April 1988 board meeting we will, among other things, vote on life membership applications. If yours is not in by then you must wait until the September 1988 board meeting for approval Why wait? Get yours in now!

We have a new Chapter (Club) member and that is the Plano Coin Club It's always a pleasure to welcome a new club into membership. We wish you every success. Plano Coin Club.

From time to time your secretary a district governor, or your **TNA NEWS** Editor hears from a member that he has not received a copy of **TNA NEWS** following the paying of his dues. This is disturbing to me and to the aforementioned officers If you know of such a situation, please immediately contact the secretary or the editor so the situation can be corrected I particularly ask that all of the district governors as you attend the meetings of the clubs in your districts please inquire if there is a TNA member who is not

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A STUDY OF TURKISH COINAGE

Bernard Loebe
Houston, Texas

The Republic of Turkey, a democracy of the near East, is located partially in Europe and partially in Asia between the Black Sea and the Mediterranean Sea bordering on the Soviet Union, Iraq, Iran, Syria, Bulgaria and Greece. It has an area of about 310,000 square miles, slightly smaller than Venezuela.

Turkey has had a bloody history since the Ottoman Empire was established in the 17th century. At that time it covered an area from the Persian Gulf to the southern border of Poland and from the Caspian Sea to the Algerian Plateau. Various military defeats signalled the decline of the Ottoman Empire and Turkey's borders shrank rapidly. At the end of World War I, it was deprived of its Arab lands and the present boundaries were fixed by the Treaty of Lausanne in 1923.

The Sultanate and Caliphate, the political and spiritual rulers of the day, were separated and abolished in 1922. On October 29, 1923, Turkey formally became a Republic

Turkey had a total of 12 rulers from 1754 to 1923. There were a lot of Mustafas, Abduls and Muhammads with the official title of Sultan.

And, Turkey has had almost as many monetary systems as it has had Sultans. In the very early days of Osman III, coins were minted in Constantinople (Istanbul) in denominations of akces, besliks, onluk, yirmilik, zoltas, piastres, altmislik and paras. For the gold coins, 100 piastres equal 1 Turkish pound, or lira. The piastre, which was established as a crown size silver coin, approximately equal to the French ecu of Louis the 14th, has shrunk to a tiny copper coin worth about 1/15 of a United States cent. Since 1923, and the establishment of the Republic, the Turkish terms "Kurus and Liras" have replaced the European names of piastre and pounds.

Letters, symbols and numerals were placed on coins during the reign of Mustafa II in 1695. In the 23rd year of reign of Abdul Hamid II (about 1878) two series of gold coins were produced, a regular mint issue and a special "Monnaies de Luxe," which were intended for presentation and jewelry purposes. These special coins were of a lesser weight, but were broader and produced from more ornate dies. Records of the mintages of these gold pieces were not accurately kept and since there is no date collecting, no justification for higher prices for rare dates, exists.

The modern Turkish coins are minted in bronze, aluminum, gold and silver. The "Collector's Item" that I have is a .830 silver ten lira coin. The actual silver weight is 1/4 ounce and has a book value of about $7 in XF. The given mintage is about eight million coins. The obverse sports the likeness of the head of Kemal Ataturk and the reverse shows the Turkish coat of arms with the very familiar crescent moon and star. It carries the date

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A NATIONAL BANK NOTE "VICE"

Frank Clark
Carrollton, Texas

The national bank notes issued by The Chandler National Bank of Lyons, Kansas portray a unique characteristic. The signature of the vice president replaces the usual president's signature. This is the only known occurrence of a bank officer's signature other than the president, or a cashier, on a small size national bank note.

The bank was chartered in March 1934 with a capital of $50,000 and with Charter Number 14048. It was a privately owned bank and C. Q. Chandler was the president. His two sons were also bank officers — C. J. Chandler, vice president, and W. W. Chandler, cashier.

C. Q. Chandler wanted to have the signatures of both of his sons on the national bank notes. In order to accomplish this he had to abandon his right to sign the notes. His request was granted by the government. When looking at one of these notes it appears that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing typed the word "VICE" after C. J. Chandler's signature and copied this onto the signature overprinting plate.

The Chandler National Bank of Lyons issued only $5 and $10 Type 2 national bank notes. Final serial numbers were A006470 for the $5 notes and A002430 for the $10 notes. The bank's last shipment of notes from the Comptroller of the Currency was on May 31, 1935. National bank notes were last issued for any bank in July 1935.

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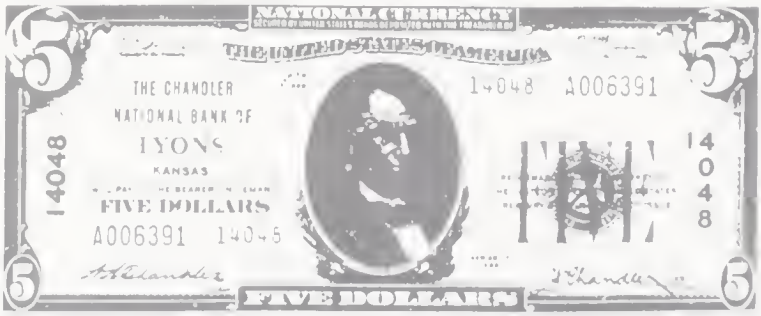
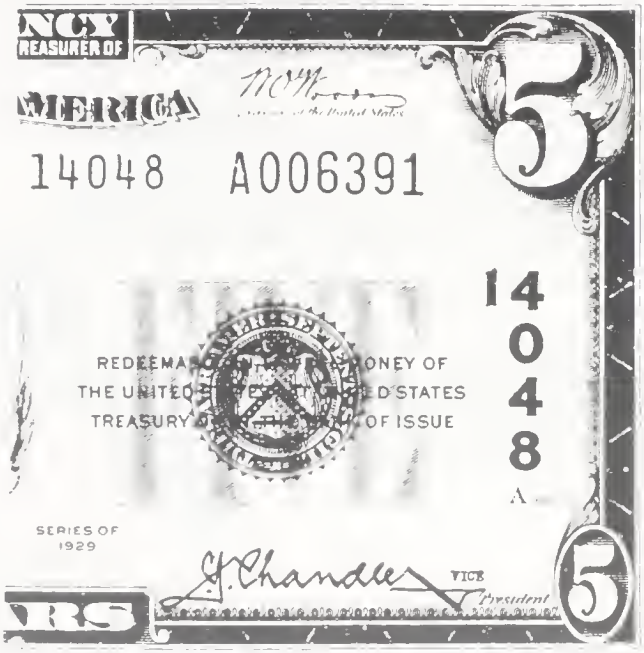


$5 Type 2 National Bank Note on The Chandler National Bank of Lyons, Kansas signed by W. W. Chandler cashier and C. J. Chandler vice president.



$5 Type 2 National Bank Note on The Chandler National Bank of Lyons, Kansas signed by W. W. Chandler cashier and C. J. Chandler vice-president.

Enlargement of note to show "VICE" after the signature.

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Ms. Cynthia Grassby Baker was sworn in as the new Superintendent of the Denver Mint on January 28 by Katherine D. Ortega, the Treasurer of the United States. The special ceremony took place at the Denver Athletic Club. As Superintendent of the Denver Mint, Ms. Grassby Baker will be responsible for the production of in excess of 6 billion coins annually. The branch mint will be producing the 1988 Olympic uncirculated silver dollar.

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Mexican coins issued by the Mexico City mint which do not feature the eagle of the national coat of arms are the cupro-nickel issues of 1882 and 1883 with the Roman Numerals I, II and V centavos. The obverse has the legend "Republica Mexicana," the date and a quiver of arrows. The value in Roman Numerals is on the reverse.

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Silver ecus, the French version of the dollar, were minted in the 17th and 18th centuries. The coin bears the likeness of Louis XIV, who was king from 1643 to 1715. Gold ecus had been made since the 1300's, but the silver coin was not struck until 1641.

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For those who are tired of scraping ice and snow off of their windshields during icy winter weather, let an ounce of silver do the work for you. There is a new silver-coated windshield that spreads heat over the windshield and melts off snow in less than two minutes. Silver-coated windshields are now important safety features in some of Ford Motor Company's cars.

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The British halfpenny, a copper coin worth about 7/10 of a U.S. cent, cost more to mint than its face value. It was introduced in 1280 by King Edward I and retired by the Royal Mint in 1984 — 704 years later.

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Coins of six nations won honors in the Coin of the Year competition for 1986 — Austria, Canada, United States, Japan, Western Samoa and Greece. Results of the first round of balloting in the annual COTY awards were announced by Clifford Mishler, publisher of the sponsor, World Coin News, produced by Krause Publications, Iola, Wisc. A Canadian coin, the silver $1 of 1986 commemorating the Centennial of Vancouver, took two awards. It was named "Best Silver Coin" and "Best Crown" for the year. The United States $5 gold coin saluting the centennial of the Statue of Liberty, designed by Elizabeth Jones, won the "Most Popular Coin" award. The 1987-dated coins will be voted upon in 1988 and honored in 1989.

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from the 1st vice president

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As I write this article, the portion of the exhibit which the Greater Houston Coin Club assembled for the Museum of Natural Sciences is now in place at the GHCC Money Show. This exhibit is not the finished product which will be on exhibit at the museum for the next year. We have three cases which have a total area of 4,800 square inches The title is "A ZOO IN YOUR POCKET" and features animals on coins. There are over 100 coins displayed and they feature mammals, reptiles, birds, fish and invertebrates. After the Money Show the exhibit will return to the museum for revamping and additional coins. We have some three months to expand the exhibit. We can use many more coins which feature animals on coins. If anyone has some of this topic which they wish to donate we will welcome them. These donations will be 100% tax deductible and a receipt will be issued by the museum. This topic is not featuring the rare and expensive coins. The most expensive coin is a 1796 silver dollar which was already in the musuem collection. Many coins costing less than a dollar feature animals.

At this point I will make known that I plan to run as president of TNA at the next election. Since I have served two terms each as 2nd and 1st vice president, I feel that I have a good feeling for the position of president which will be vacated by the present president, Mac Kennady, I will appreciate the support of each TNA member.

Don't forget the 1988 TNA convention which is now only days away. We will promise to have good weather for it as we have wonderful weather for the CHCC.

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SEND CLUB NEWS TO EDITOR!

GROSSMAN

Graveside services were held January 26 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery for Leon (Lee) Grossman of San Antonio. Mr. Grossman died suddenly of heart failure on January 22 at Humana Hospital where he had been a patient since January 19. He would have celebrated his 69th birthday on March 13.

Mr. Grossman was a member of Numismatics International, serving as a governor; the Numismatic Literary Guild; Biblical Numismatic Society; and the Texas Numismatic Association. He was also very active in the Alamo and Gateway Coin Clubs of San Antonio.

As one of his many friends said: "To say that he was just a member is an understatement. He was an active, dynamic, participating member. He worked hard for the hobby, which he considered a way of life rather than just a hobby. He performed any task that needed doing for any organization, whether he was a member or not. Lee will be sorely missed."

Mr. Grossman is survived by his wife, Dorothy; daughter, Lori, both of San Antonio; son, David Grossman of Dallas; a brother; and a sister.

Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

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receiving his **TNA NEWS.** Sometimes, soon after joining, members move without giving us a change of address, or the printer fails to pick-up a new member on his mailing list. Whatever the reason, it simply is not right for a member to pay his dues and get nothing in return.

On September 11, 1987 TNA lost a fine, long-time member, George Johnson who, with his wife, Lucretia, lived in Greenville. George was a gentleman in every sense of the word. Now, Lucretia has offered to the TNA Memorial Library George's numismatic library. Lucretia, your generosity is greatly appreciated and I feel that the TNA membership can put George's library to good use. Thank you for thinking of us.

How long has it been since you got a new member for TNA? Too long, I'll bet! Try to sign-up a new member in the next 60 days. See ya' next month.

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"The TNA convention is coming!" Yes, next month our TNA convention will be held in Houston. I hope our junior members will be exhibiting their coins, tokens or other numismatic material, and then submit to me a completed TNA Bronze Medal Project form so that I may send them their medals.

I am happy to report that Jeff Hurt from Sundown, District 9, is our second junior member to participate in the project. Jeff recruited an adult member for TNA and was the recipient of two bronze medals and a numismatic reference book. Juniors, it's now your turn to start working on one of the activities. And TNA members, it's up to us to give guidance and motivation to our juniors. Please help your juniors with the Bronze Medal Project.

The 1988 TNA silver and bronze medal sets will be ready for mailing in April to those individuals who purchased the sets last year. If you are one of those, please send your check for $32.25 for each set ordered. The sets are $30.00 each plus $2.25 for postage and insurance. All checks or money orders should be made payable to TNA and checks must clear before the medals are sent.

For those of you who wish to order a complete set of the 20 bronze TNA medals from 1969 to the present, write for complete details and please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

I am sad to report the death of Lee Grossman on January 22, a TNA member from District 7. Lee promoted our TNA medals by exhibiting them at our local coin shows, by giving programs about the medals at club meetings, and also writing articles for the January and February 1985 issues of the **TNA NEWS** about the history of the TNA medals. Lee will be missed and fondly remembered.

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The Mexican hero — Miguel Hidalgo — had his portrait appear on Mexican coins as the first such person to be honored. Five and ten peso gold coins were minted in 1905 and became known as "Hidalgos" and "Half Hidalgos."

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WELCOME to new members 5067-5073. If approved the following will become members April 1, 1988.

J5074 (D-6) Kwan Shek, 3031 S. Blue Meadow Circle, Sugar Land, TX 77479. U.S. Silver Coins. Ralph W. Ross.

J5075 (D-9) Pamela Hurt, Box 961, Sundown, TX. 79372. Jeff Hurt & L. Pitzer.

5076 (D-6) R.B. Worthington, 2511 Laura Ln., Pearland, TX. 77581. Texas and New Mexico Tokens. Nela Runkle.

5077 (D-7) Richard Medina, 3534 Fredericksburg Rd. #18, San Antonio, TX. 78201. Miriam Gilmore

J5078 (D-14) Allen Prasek, 2809 Hibiscus, McAllen, TX. 78501. World Coins & Currency. Ada Lee Chisum.

J5079 (D-14) Nicole DiGennaro, Box 649, Harlingen, TX. 78551 Ada Lee Chisum.

5080 (D-6) Leon E. Petru, Rt. 1, Box 166, Shiner, TX. 77984. Mike Greenspan.

5081 (D-6) Sonny Toupard, Box 1022, Crosby, TX. 77532. Bust Coinage, R. L. Aldrete.

J5082 (D-6) Anthony Fischer, 3031 Sleepy Hollow Dr., Sugar Land, TX. 77479. Dimes, Nickels, & Pennies. Nela Runkle.

J5083 (D-6) Darren Davis, 2423 Sugar Mill Dr., Sugar Land, TX. 77479. Foreign Coins, Proof Sets. Nela Runkle.

J5084 (D-6) Ana Louisa Ortiz, 2715 Arrowhead Dr., Sugar Land, TX. 77479. Dimes, Quarters and Cents. Nela Runkle.

J5085 (D-6) Keith Marrero, 2615 Creek Shadow Dr., Sugar Land, TX. 77479. Silver Dimes, Foreign Coins. Nela Runkle.

J5088 (D-6) Russell Perral, 13607 Hampton Ct., Sugar Land, TX 77478. Nela Runkle.

C206 (D-5) Plano Coin Club, 1310 Ave K, Plano, TX. 75074. Mark R. Schroeder, Acting President.

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VIP AWARD

3010 (D-6) Mrs. Nela Runkle, Sugar Land, TX — Exhibits Chairperson 1988 TNA Convention.

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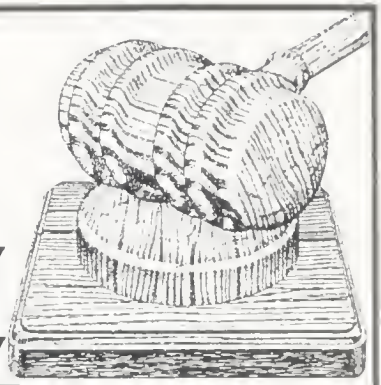

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C.D. (From Austin)	3,082.72	
Medal Sales	58.50	
Greater Houston Coin Club (Donation for A.N.A. Jr. Fund)	100.00	5,231.73
		7,697.39
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TNA Secretary - Dec. Allowance Petty Cash	230.95	
TNA News Edit. Jan. Allowance Petty Cash	238.69	
River Oaks Printing	1,272.90	
Frank Galindo (Medal expense)	61.32	
Green Duck Corp. (Medal expense)	3,329.68	
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NOTE: The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purpose of which they are encumbered. The balance above included these as noted below as of Jan. 31, 1988.

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TNA Memorial Library Fund	155.93*	
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Exhibits of special interest are lined up for public viewing at the convention of the Texas Numismatic Association, Inc. scheduled for April 22, 23, 24 in Houston at Adam's Mark Hotel, according to Nela Runkle, exhibits chairperson.

Echoes of the past in a picture story setting will feature a selection of artifacts salvaged from the galleons Nuestra Senora de Atocha and the Santa Margarita, both of which sank in 1622 off the coast of Florida during a hurricane. The story will unfold with specimens of coins, gems and other artifacts, how they were recovered and the condition when found. Included are 8 reales, gold escudos, bars, gold chains and other items. This exhibit will be shown courtesy of Myrrill Cox.

R. E. Wallace of Fort Worth will display his recently acquired 1906-D $20 gold piece. The coin, one of four struck, was discovered in an estate collection being disposed of in the Rio Grande Valley. Collectors have been eager for an opportunity to see this coin.

A first for any TNA convention is the display planned to show working dies used to strike the official TNA medals in silver and bronze. TNA initiated the medal program in 1969, however, the first three dies are not available.

Anyone wanting more information on these special exhibits should contact Nela at 1134 Ravenscourt Dr., Sugar Land, TX. 77478 or call 713 491-3055.

Greater Houston Coin Club, convention host, invites everyone to attend the April convention.

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WELCH SHOT BY ROBBERS

Barney K. Welch of Dallas and a co-worker were in serious but stable condition following a robbery Wednesday, February 3, in which both men were shot, according to sources from the Dallas area. Welch, former TNA governor, District 5, is a coin dealer and operates a coin shop where the incident took place about 5 p.m.

According to information received, several men entered the shop, began shooting, striking Welch in the chest and neck. The co-worker was wounded in both legs. The robber got away with about $50,000 in coins and jewelry.

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MARCH 18-20
HOUSTON INTERCONTINENTAL COIN SHOW, Sheraton Crown Hotel. **WRITE:** Milton Dove, Box 92146, Houston 77206.

MARCH 19-20
SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB, annual show, Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, Lubbock. **BOURSE:** Herman Jacobs, Box 3795, Lubbock 79452. Or call Ed Chauncey 806 792-2245.

MARCH 26-27
WACO COIN CLUB, annual show. Waco Civic Center. **WRITE:** Jerry Kammer, Box 8773, Waco 76714.

APRIL 9-10
CORPUS CHRISTI COIN CLUB show, La Quinta Royale Hotel. **WRITE:** Club, Box 3191, Corpus Christi 78410.

APRIL 16-17
SEMI-ANNUAL COIN & STAMP SHOW, Rodeway Inn at Six Flags. **WRITE:** Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth 76180.

APRIL 22-24
TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, 30th convention, Adam's Mark Hotel, 2900 Briarpark Dr. at Westheimer, Houston. **HOST:** Greater Houston Coin Club. **BOURSE:** Ray Aldrete, Box 1345, Houston 77251, 713 580-3206.

MAY 14-15
VICTORIA NUMISMATIC CLUB, annual show, Holiday Inn, Hiway 59. **BOURSE:** Graves Rouse, 403 First Victoria National Bank, Victoria 77901, 512 575-5621.

MAY 21-22
GATEWAY COIN CLUB, annual show, Sheraton Inn, 1400 Austin Highway, San Antonio. **WRITE:** Club, Box 12217, San Antonio 78212.

MAY 28-29
CAPITAL CITY COIN CLUB, annual show, Austin Hilton, 6000 Middle Fiskville Rd., Austin. **WRITE:** Club, Box 9057, Austin, 78766-9057, 512 453-2530.

JUNE 4-5
GARLAND COIN CLUB, 24th annual coin show, Holiday Inn — Garland, 13700 LBJ Freeway & Centerville. **BOURSE:** Tim Lee, Box 851181, Richardson 75085-1181.

JUNE 4-5
GREATER ORANGE COIN CLUB, annual show, Orange House Inn. More later.

SEPTEMBER 10-11
SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB, annual show, Holiday Inn. **WRITE:** Box 2414, San Angelo 76902.

SEPTEMBER 11
BEEVILLE COIN CLUB, 21st annual show, Student Center, Bee County College. **WRITE:** Box 209, Beeville 78104, 512 375-2454.

SEPTEMBER 17-18
ALAMO COIN CLUB, 2nd annual coin show, Sheraton Inn, 1400 Austin Hiway, San Antonio.

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TYLER COIN CLUB, annual show, Ramada Hotel Ballroom. **CONTACT:** H. Cook, Rt. 1, Box 245, Tyler 75708, 214 592-3607.

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AUSTIN COIN CLUB, annual show, Quality Inn South. **WRITE:** Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.

NOVEMBER 19
KINGSVILLE COIN CLUB, coin show, Student Union Bldg., A. & I. University Campus. **WRITE:** David Burke, Box 585, Kingsville 78363.

FUTURE TNA CONVENTIONS

1989 — EL PASO

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1990 — FORT WORTH

(continued from page 9)

1960. In 1980, for reasons I could not ascertain, the Turkish Mint struck two of these ten lira coins. No more of this value have been released as of now.

Just as other nations have, Turkey has suffered severe devaluations of its coinage. The latest quote from Texas Foreign Exchange gives the Turkish lira a value of 500 to one U.S. dollar.

In later years Turkey issued many commemorative coins in gold and silver. These were usually minted to help with the FAO (Food & Agriculture Organization) and also the United Nations Branch, UNICEF. The highest denomination was a gold coin of 10,000 lira.

An interesting fact about certain Turkish coins, usually gold coins, is that they were dated with two numbers. The first date was always 1923, and the second number signified the age of the Republic. So a coin with the numbers 1923-40 was actually minted in 1963. Other coins were dated normally. The smallest denomination coin minted, as far as records indicate, was a 1/4 kurus. This is roughly equivalent to 1/100 of a U.S. cent. Imagine carrying around a dollar's worth of them.

Many books and articles have been written concerning the coins of Turkey. I have only touched briefly on the complete history of this country which has seen conflict and brutality all through its turbulent past. Hopefully I have given you a tidbit or two of numismatic information that is not generally highlighted and often overlooked in view of the popularity of other countries and their coins.

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DISTRICT I —

Fort Worth Coin Club members were warned that dues must be paid by February 4 or the monthly Newsletter would be discontinued along with membership. Dues are $7.50 per year.

President Gary Stewart urged all to begin preparing exhibits for the annual coin show in October and members would be needed to work on committees.

Door prizes went to Jackie Hagood, Howard Luke, Gary Stewart, R.O. Brown and Stan Lehew.

— Newsletter.

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From 20 to 33 attended the two January meetings of **Stephenville Coin Club** held at the Golden Corral. The club voted to conduct a membership drive with a prize going to the member who signed up the most new members.

David Hale gave a program on the cost of mailing and packaging the Constitution coins which amounted to $25 million dollars and took 25 18-wheeler trucks to carry the parcels.

— Lorene Randals, Sec.

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DISTRICT III —

Dick Dollen
Governor

Officers for the new year serving **San Angelo Coin Club** include Ed Hopkinson, president; Jim Jones III, 1st vice president; James Jones IV, 2nd vice president; Mike Shirley, treasurer; and Kay Jones, secretary.

Plans are underway for the annual coin show set for September 10-11 at Holiday Inn, 441 Rio Concho Dr. in San Angelo. For more particulars write to P. O. Box 2414, San Angelo 76902.

At the January meeting with 11 attending at Central National Bank, Floyd Sims gave a program on silver quarters, with proof back circulation strikes. Sims showed several minted in different years to illustrate how the leaf would dramatically point to the "a" in the word dollar on these coins.

Winning door prizes were Dick Swindoll, Jim Jones and Clifton Killingworth.

— Kay Jones, Sec.

DISTRICT V —

Paul Garner
Governor

Discussion was held on the 1988 coin show at the **Dallas Coin Club** meeting and more information will be presented at the next meeting.

It was reported that Wilson Korona has passed away early this year.

Frank Clark was scheduled to give the program at the January meeting on $100 United States Notes.

— Newsletter.

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James Davis installed 1988 officers for **Garland Coin Club** at a dinner party and included Frank Clark, president; Carl Agerbeck, vice president; Jim Jeska, secretary treasurer. Directors are Al Bromberg and Ray Holt.

The evening's entertainment consisted of games, and winners were Lori Blaha, Sharon Clark, Frank Clark, Jim Jeska, Dorothy Gilbreath, Ron Blaha, Al Bromberg, Bob Moore, Anna Moore and James Davis. Al Bromberg won the door prize.

— Newsletter.

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DISTRICT VI —

Chris Johns
Governor

A change in the By-Laws governing **Rice Belt Coin Club** of El Campo will allow "a person of any age" to join the club and that dues be set at $2.00 for anyone under the age of 16 for the first year and $1.00 thereafter. G. P. Conner Jr. was the first youth to join the club.

New officers were elected and are: Dwight Tiller, president; Art Keinarth, vice president; Grace Vaclavick, secretary; and Johnnie Bartosh, treasurer. Walt Mehnert will serve as program chairman.

Steve Dornak won the door prize which was donated by Art Keinarth.

— Grace Vaclavick, Sec.

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Bellaire Coin Club has issued a review of the auction rules and regulations.

In order to enjoy a full and comprehensive meeting in the couple of hours allotted in the meeting location, auction lots are limited to 65 with a maximum of 10 lots per member. Guests are not allowed to bid nor place lots in the auction in that the club would face the possibility of being considered a Sales organization and become subject to being ordered to cease.

— Newsletter.

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The program for the January meeting of **Greater Houston Coin Club** was to be a "3-barrelled affair" — a report on the results of the survey taken at the November meeting on "Should Changes Be Made in the Coins of the United States;" a presentation on collecting wooden money by Chris Johns, who was recently appointed to serve out the year as president of the Dedicated Wooden Money Collectors; and finally, closing with an auction, limited to five lots per person.

A slate of nominees for elective offices was to be presented at the February meeting by the nominating committee with a brief biography of each nominee to be published in the Newsletter.

New club members include Robert J. Destiche, Steve Gatchell, Eileen Huckabee, Darren Davis, Keith Marrero, Kwan Shek and Naina Toupard.

— Double Shift.

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DISTRICT VII —

Frank Galindo
Governor

Coin show plans are underway for **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio. Committees appointed in the fall of 1987 by Miriam Gilmore, club president show chairperson, include bourse, Raymond Tate and Armando de la Pena; exhibits, Susan and Erik Vitol, registration, Vincent Grub, Bob Downs and Pyron Coryell; publicity, Chuck Maniscalco and Cliff Valley, special events Karla Galindo and Gwen Coryell and Cindy Beckom.

Also, awards and dealer registration, Karla Galindo; security, Tate "Giveaway" table, Valley. Signs Ed Witt, printing and art work, Frank Galindo. Assisting in general arrangements are Erik Vitol and Joe Beckom.

The show will be held May 21-22 at Seven Oaks Resort Hotel (formerly Sheraton Inn). For more information write the Club, Box 12964, San Antonio 78212.

At the February 4 meeting, Heather Grub, a junior member, presented a program on Lincoln Cents. The bi-monthly auction was held on February 18.

Members and friends were saddened to learn of the sudden death of Lee Grossman on January 22. Lee was a noted numismatist, author, and his speciality was ancient and Byzantine coins. He was a long time member of the Gateway and Alamo Coin Clubs of San Antonio and put forth every effort for the betterment of both clubs.

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DISTRICT VIII —

Joe Davis
Governor

November 19 is the date selected for a coin show by **Kingsville Coin Club.** It will be held at the Student Union Bldg. on the A & I University campus. For more details write David Burke, P. O. Box 585, Kingsville 78363.

During the January meeting, members voted to have an auction at every meeting followed by a short trade session. Don Bryan gave a program on grading for the 16 members and two guests attending. Jesse Ramon won the door prize.

In February the club enjoyed a covered dish supper followed by the auction and trade session.

— David Burke, Pres.

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The 21st annual **Beeville Coin Club** show will be held on Sunday, September 11 at the Student Center of Bee County College, Charco Road and U.S. 181.

The club mailing address is Box 209, Beeville 78104 and phone number is 512 375-2454, according to Edward F. Brown, show chairman.

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DISTRICT IX —

E. L. Pitzer
Governor

Due to rising expenses **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock voted to increase membership dues by $2.00 per year although junior member dues will remain the same.

It was reported that the Christmas party auction netted $767.50 for donation to Meals on Wheels.

Jim Hall gave a program on Alaska Rehabilitation Corporation tokens of 1935. An auction was held after the program. Winning the door prize was Glen Knight.

— E. L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9.

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Increasing attendance at meetings of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield was the main topic of discussion at the regular meeting. E. L. Pitzer reported on the TNA Bronze Medal Project for juniors and the TNA board meeting held in Austin last fall.

Pitzer and E. L. Merriott won door prizes.

— E. L. Pitzer, Gov., Dist. 9.

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DISTRICT X —

Walt Woelper
Governor

New members welcomed into the **International Coin Club** of El Paso include Mark Meldahl, Robert Barker, Steve Geisinger and Jonathan D. Clark, a junior. A progress report on the 1988 coin show was given by Walt Woelper and it was announced that Ed and Pat Young were moving to Florida and had donated several books and other supplies to the club.

Marlin Haines conducted a 38-lot auction. There was only one meeting held in December due to the holiday party.

— Florence and John Berger, P.R. Committee.

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DISTRICT XI —

The new officers for 1988 were introduced at the regular meeting of **Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc.** of Amarillo and are: Linda Runkle-Caylor, president; Curtis Maple, 1st vice president, Darrell Tipton, 2nd vice president; Pam Tipton, secretary, and Charles Simmons, treasurer.

Jim Nailer of GLN Fine Jewelry gave a program on weighing gold, testing and other pertinent information about gold.

The club is seeking a TNA representative for the club and anyone interested should make contact.

— Newsletter.

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DISTRICT XII –

Announcement is being made of the **Tyler Coin Club** annual coin show September 17 and 18 at the Ramada Hotel ballroom.

Anyone needing more information, contact H. Cook, Rt. 1, Box 245, Tyler 75708, 214 592-3607.

T. J. Bennington
Governor

DISTRICT XIII –

Twenty attended the **Greenbelt Coin Club** meeting in Vernon when TNA Governor Raymond E. Whyborn conducted the meeting in the absence of other officers. Ray discussed the March ANA Mid Winter convention to be held in Little Rock, Ark.

Raymond E. Whyborn
Governor

The club secretary was asked to send a card to **TNA NEWS** Editor Miriam Gilmore to convey the club's condolences on the recent loss of her husband.

Robbie Robinson conducted a 54 lot auction of coins, checks and paper money.

— Raymond E. Whyborn,
Gov. Dist. 13.

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Robbie Robinson, president of **Red River Coin Club** of Iowa Park, urged the 15 members attending the regular meeting to make every effort to bring back members who have been missing from the meetings. Those present suggested mail-outs, phone calls and personal contact as possible methods of rebuilding the membership. This effort will be reviewed on a continual basis.

A report was given on the November coin show which was a sell out and a successful show.

— Morris Lemmond, Sec.

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DISTRICT XIV –

Hidalgo Coin Club of the Rio Grande Valley celebrated its 27th anniversary with a social hour and games night. Of the 28 members attending, Emily Kleemeyer was the only Charter member present.

Helen Snider
Governor

During the short business meeting discussion was held concerning a coin show in 1989 and a committee is exploring the possibility. Bill Nelson of Iowa was a visitor.

— Helen Snider,
Gov. Dist. 14

DISTRICT XV —

Dewey L. Scott
Governor

Bill Stein was honored with the C. L. Babcock award by the **Beaumont Coin Club.** Bill has shown outstanding commitment and service to the club.

Stein will serve the club as president for 1988 assisted by Art Larkin, vice president; Kaye Brown, secretary, and John Brown, treasurer.

Dale Richey, retiring president, was the recipient of a silver Past President's medal.

— Kaye Brown, Sec.

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Nominations for 1988 officers to serve **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club** include Jerry Williams, president, J. Scott, vice president, J. Rodriguez, secretary, R. Lanclos, treasurer, and Bryan Girouard, junior vice president.

The club meets in the Media Room of Jefferson County Airport on the first Thursday of each month.

— Newsletter.

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DISTRICT XVII —

Robert Schuetze reported on the progress of the March coin show sponsored by **Waco Coin Club** at the January meeting with 18 in attendance. Robert is bourse chairman.

Under discussion was a "Trade Night," more member involvement in future programs and "Show and Tell" with members displaying items from their collections. Gerry Kammer was to "start the ball rolling" by giving a program at the next meeting.

J. P. Jones read an article on "Holey Dollars" in honor of Australia's Bicentennial.

The auction featured a $3 bill from a private South Carolina bank dated 1870 which was the object of spirited bidding by several members. **— J. P. Jones, Reporter.**

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GOLD EAGLES

The first American gold coins were called "eagles" from the design on the reverse. They were authorized in 1792 and struck in 1795. Initially, there were two denominations: one eagle, worth 10 dollars, and a half eagle, worth five dollars. In 1796 the first quarter eagle coin was minted, and in 1849 a double eagle, worth 20 dollars, was struck. (Only one example of the 1849 double eagle is known to exist.) The half eagle and quarter eagle coins were terminated in 1929. The other two denominations continued to be minted until 1933.

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The "Peso del Caballito" (the Horse Peso) was minted in 1910 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Mexican Independence. It was also minted during the years 1911, 1912, 1913 and 1914. It was designed in Paris by the sculptor Pillet. The obverse shows the Mexican Eagle and the legend "Estados Unidos Mexicanos" and "Un Peso." The reverse shows Liberty on horseback and a rising sun in the background. The horse has no reins. Liberty bears a torch in the left hand, a wreath of laurel in the right.

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6. Similar $10, Mt. Pl. #8 — $ 90.
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8. Burleson County, $2, Caldwell #3, Right corner gone — $100.
9. Jefferson, Lewis Moody $5, Jeff. #17, unissued — $ 75.
10. Jordon's Sabine, R.W. Rodgers, $2, M-2, unissued — $ 50.
11. San Marcos, Hays County, 25¢, San Marcos #1 - nice — $175.
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13. Limestone County, $1, Springfield #9, nearly crisp — $150.
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16. Washington County Scrip, Brenham #5, $3 — $ 75.
17. Austin County Scrip, Bellville #1, 50¢ — $ 75.
18. Same, #2, $1 — $ 90.

If you have any County or private issue notes to trade or sell, please contact me, I always want to add to my collection.

Also have a lot of fiscally related documents, will try to list some of them next time. If you have special wants, let me know.

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